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Computer & Communications Industry Association

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The Honorable Julius Genachowski Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

RE: WT Docket No. 12-301

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

I write to you in support for expedited approval of the proposed merger between T-Mobile USA and MetroPCS. We at CCIA have long recognized the benefits to the American consumer and small businesses that can be achieved with stronger independent competitors in the mobile broadband space.

The combination of T-Mobile USA and MetroPCS will create a stronger carrier, better positioned to compete effectively against the juggernaut that is Verizon and AT&T, which dominates the U.S. marketplace. This transaction, by facilitating T-Mobile deployment of LTE in 2013 can actually help prevent duopoly. The expanded scale, spectrum and financial resources that will result from this merger will lead to more jobs, and more investment and innovation creating affordable consumer choices.

Broadband access to the Internet is no longer a luxury, but a necessity for the average American. Consumer groups have always lauded the lower rate data and voice plans T-Mobile and MetroPCS have offered. In this instance the combination of these companies will allow them to better challenge their larger competitors by continuing to offer reasonably priced rates, including unlimited data plans, while also offering advanced services.

T-Mobile is continuing to invest in its workers throughout this pending approval process and has already announced the addition of at least another 2,000 jobs across the country during this year alone.

We support T-Mobile's efforts to improve its competitive position in the wireless market and are certain that the combination of these companies will put T-Mobile and MetroPCS in a stronger position to innovate and offer consumers much needed choice.

Sincerely,

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